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GENERAL EPISTLES

To be read in all the

CONGREGATIONS

Of the

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Who are gathered out of the houſe of *Adam* in the fall, into the houſe of Chriſt that never fell, to be read amongſt them.

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ALL friends every where who are gathered in the name of Jesus Christ, that never fell nor changed, yea into him that never fell being gathered, ye will see over all the gatherings of *Adam* and *Eve* in the fall, from the garden of God and the blessed state, and from the image of God and the righteousness, and the holiness, that he was in before he fell; wherein all is in the confusion in the fall, the sons and daughters of *Adam* are broken into the many gatherings, being in the fall, from righteousnesse and holinesse, and the image of God and the blessed state that they were in before they fell; and so are from the witnesse of God, the spirit and the light in their own particulars: And so as *Jacobs* prophecy was on his death-bed to his sons, how that the gathering of all Nations should be unto *Shilo*, who is we, and out of trouble unto Christ Jesus (mark) to Christ Jesus that never fell, who was with the Father before the world began, in whom is the light, life, and peace, and rest in this gathering, and so the gathering is out of *Adam* in the fall, up into Christ that never fell, and in him is safety and peace; and in this gathering you have every one a river, yea living water in your own bellies, which river comes from the fountain, for all nations are blessed in him; Christ Jesus that takes away the curse that stood over all Nations, and destroys the devil the author of it; and spreads over the blessing again, and all are blessed in him, and therefore doth blesse and curse not; and all they that are saved walks in the light of the Lamb, and so comes to the holy City that comes down from God out of heaven, in which there is no unclean thing enters, in which City there is no need of the Sun nor Moon, the Lord God and the Lamb is the light thereof: of this City which fences out all bad, and unclean, and unrighteousnesse; and the Adulterer, and the Idolater, and the Liar: and the power of the Lord God goes over all the bad; and they that come into this City are saved (as I said before) walks in the light of the Lamb. And therefore friends, all you that know the blessed truth which the devil is out of, which truth makes you blessed, through which you come every one to have a crown, and so to feed upon the tree of life, through which you come to live for

ever, the leaves of which heals the wounded nations, ſo you that have bought the truth, ſell it not for trifles, neither give it nor leave it; for that which the tempter will tempt you, is out of the truth, to outward things; but conſider all the faithful all along how they ſuffered, and by whom, and for what, in all ages ſince the fall, from the foundation of the world; ſince the Lamb hath been ſlain, not joyning to men in any thing which the Sons of *Adam* have invented and ſet up: the ſons of God nor the faithful could not joyn to; They followed the Lord, his counſel, and his Word and Promiſes, and went thorow the great tribulations to the reſt, as pilgrims and ſtrangers to all the ſons of *Adams* waies, religions and worſhips, them that were in the worſhip of God, and in the way of God; Chriſt Jeſus that never fell and ſaw over them all.

And take heed of the rough garments and rough ſpirit of *Eſaus* rough nature, but mind the plain *Jacob*, that ſupplants rough *Eſau*, and mind the conſtant truth, and take heed of the unconſtant; and ſuch as are given to changing, which the Sonne gives not himſelf unto, for he ends the changings, the ſonne Chriſt doth that never changes, and as every one hath received him, ſo walk in him that never changes, walk not in the traditions of the Jews that changed, nor the Gentiles, nor the Apoſtate Chriſtians, but in (him, as I ſaid before) Chriſt Jeſus that never changed, and the way that never fell, nor never changed, nor never will change; then you will ſee over all the waies of the Prieſts, the Shepherds, the Prophets, and the Teachers of *Adam* and *Eves* ſonnes and daughters in the fall, that do change, and do fall, and ſtumble, and are turned by every wind, you being in Chriſt Jeſus that never fell, nor never changed, in whom you have life, and peace, and reſt: For to preach Chriſt the way, the Prophet, Prieſt and Shepherd that never fell, and people to receive him, they come out of all them that doth fall, both Prophets, and Shepherds, and Prieſts wayes, and this is oppoſite to them all, in which they took counſel againſt them that preached Chriſt the word, which was in the begining before the Jews ways and traditions were, or the Gentiles, or the Apoſtate Chriſtians, and he will be when they are gone, ſo to preach Chriſt, is not to preach up the Jews traditions, nor the Gentiles, nor the apoſtate Chriſtians; nor to follow the traditions

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of their fore-fathers: But to follow the word, neither receive them, nor them that preach them, and to follow that which lives, and indures, and remains for ever: And this is the word that makes the Jews to grieve and the Gentiles, and doth the apostate Christians, to preach the word which was before their traditions were, and their inventions; and this is the word which makes wise men and women; and the word is the seed and Son of man, which seed is sown in the field, and the field is the world, and there is stony, thorny, and high way ground, and good ground, and so this is an universal doctrine, the universal seed that hits the stony, thorny, and high way ground, and falls upon all, only it is the good ground that brings forth fifty, or sixty, or a hundred fold; and such is the high-way ground, they are so full of the fowles and the aire, that it takes it away; and such as are sown among thorns, they are so full of the cares of the world, and the deceitfulness of riches, that the thorns choak it, and the cares of the world; they are such stony hearts that the seed hath not much earth, that when trials and persecutions comes with its heat, its scorched by the heat of the Sun, and therefore be ye all warned of these natures, both of the stony and of the thorny, and of the high-way ground, and of the fowles, and of the aire.

And friends, keep down feigned flattery: keep in the truth, that brings to plain heartedness, that all may be the good ground, that you may abound in goodness, and righteousness, and holiness, for peace is sown to the righteous and upright in heart; and that you walk in the light, and the life, that it may be your life, that you may have treasure in your vessels, that you may enter in with the bridegroom, through the oyle in your own Lamps, that you may inherit the life that is, that is above all the fooliſh talkers which be out of the peace; and the second *Adam*, in whom the peace is, and the life; for they that be in strife against the body of Christ, are in *Adam* in the fall, and they are neither at peace in themselves with God, nor Christ, nor them that be in Christ; so whatever men or people professe, their end manifests them, and crowns them with death or life.

So live in the Word, which all ends in the seed; this keeps over all pretences in the substance, and over the airy spirits that be out of the life, running up and down sowing dissention, tatling;

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The ſeed Chriſt is over that ſpirit, and he hath little roome in their hearts, for they abroad in the fields lifting up themſelves higher then the world, but are worſe to deceive the ſimple, but truth, and the light, and the life is over that; in which all keep your habitation; for *Adam* loſt his habitation, and ſo his ſonnes and daughters who are in the diſobedience, are in the fall; and the Jews loſt their habitation from the love of God, and ſo they loſt their authoritie, and was mingled among the heathen: and the Apoſtate Chriſtians loſt their habitation from the life and power that the Apoſtles were in. And ſo have brought all Chriſtendom into heaps and ſects about outward things, being out of the life and word, which was in the beginning before the Apoſtacy and the fall was; ſo live in the word, in that you have life, and dominion, and authority over all that which *Adam* and *Eve* ſons and daughters invented, and alſo over all in the fall; in which word you have wiſdom, as I ſaid before, and there is a faithful witneſſe, Chriſt, whoſe Name is called the word, and he is the firſt and the laſt, the beginning and the ending, the Amen.

And friends, keep over all the buſlings, and wars, and ſtrife, and the talkers of ſuch things among the ſons of *Adam* in the fall; you that be in Chriſt Jeſus that never fell, in whom is the peace, who makes the firſt *Adams* ſons and daughters to break their ſwords into plough ſhares, and their ſpears into pruning hooks, that they ſhall not learn War any more, for they that be there are in the fooliſh ſtate, but they that are in Chriſt are in the wiſe ſtate, and have ſpiritual weapons though accounted by the world fooliſh; yea, the wiſdom of God is ſo to the wiſdom of the world, which is fooliſhneſſe. And ſo you that the Lord hath bleſſed in outward thing for his truth keep over them and out of them, ſerving the Lord who hath bleſſed you, leaſt you be intangled: ſo keep above them in the righteous life and converſation, that righteouſneſſe may flow to all men in all things; honeſty and truth. and that which doth Juſtice and doing juſtly, that may flouriſh; for whoſe converſation is ordered aright, they ſhall ſee the ſalvation of God; keep out of all heats and paſſions, and over the tempeſtuous ſpirits, the ground of which is uncleanneſſe, which are up and down, and ſudden; who makes a mountain of wickedneſſe

neſſe and unholineſſe, and keeps out of the holy mountain, which they that walk in the light of the Lord goes to, and they are taught his ways.

Take heed of a falſe liberty in any thing to the fleſh, but keep your firſt love and habitation in the power and truth of God, for the lowly minde, the humble, and meek, and broken, and contrite ſpirit and heart the Lord doth not deſpiſe, but exalt.

Keep out of the many words of the world, and take heed of a liberty of going into them, but keep in the power of the Lord God, over all which was before all, and is over all, that your lives and converſations may preach to all men, and adorn the truth to God, and in the hearts of all men.

Forſake not of aſſembling your ſelves together, as the manner of ſome was in the beginning of the Apoſtacies, which entred into the reaſoning part, and ſo went from the exhorting daily, and the building, and the fellowſhip, and the comunion of the Saints in the ſpirit, and from the flocks, and the garden of God, which he waters with his water of life, and feeds with his bread of life; and ſets open his broad rivers, of living water to drink. And ſuch as forſakes the aſſemblies of the righteous, ſome for fear of the earth and ſufferings, becomes quarrelling ſpirits, and ſo goes out of the path of the flocks footſteps, and ſits not down with the flock at noon day, in the heavenly places in Chriſt Jeſus, for there the flocks meet, and there they have all a fountaine through which they have all one ſoul, and mind, and judgement, and heart, and ſpirit, and comes to be gathered out of all the ſeparations, and ſects, and fellowſhips, and gatherings, and meetings of *Adam* and *Eve* in the fall, and ſits down in Chriſt Jeſus that never fell where the fulneſſe is and the life: Chriſt in whom there is no ſhadow, no variableneſſe nor turning in him that is the way: But oh, the poverty, the ſhadows, the variableneſſe, the turnings, the worſhips, the traditions, and the ſects that be in the world among the ſons of *Adam* in the fall, oh the riches that is in him that never fell, the peace and the life that was with the father before the world began the Amen.

And friends, take heed of the Inventions and arts of the world, keep out of their rimes and their verſes, for they are the arts of men and ſtirs up the light part, and lifts up that, that pertains to

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it self, that is stirred up, that will turn in the end to the strife, or the earth, with them that lives in the Word of God that never fell, changes, nor alters, do not but as you are moved by it, that will stand and remain, in whom you may know a dwelling, life over death, and before it was; for the Serpent that got into *Adam* and *Eve* by disobedience, they had dominion over all things that God had made: yea, over the Serpent, and he came and told her they should be as Gods, if they would eat of the fruit that was forbidden, and they thought to have as Gods, and to be made wise, and the devil came to be god, and they came to be slaves, and so he got into *Adams* heart and *Eves* heart through their disobedience, through which they lost their dominion, and the Serpent came to be God of the world, the Deceiver: now saith the Lord to the Serpent, *Upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shall be thy meat all the dayes of thy life.* So you may see how the Serpent got into *Adam* and *Eve* by the disobedience.

Secondly, he ruled in all *Adams* sons and daughters hearts that are disobedient to the light, the truth, the power of God in themselves, and he darkens their hearts and minds, and makes them envious, and from him they have their devillish earthly wisdom, and all their invented arts and wayes that be bad, that keeps up, and stirs up the fallen nature that is sometimes puffed up, and sometimes down, through which the earth is brought out of its course, and the bonds of civility broken; so here he that rules in the disobedient, and got into *Adam* and *Eves* heart by disobedience, which is called the God of the world, whose meat is dust, who goes upon his belly, now if this ruler, and this governour of the hearts of such as are disobedient, who is called the Prince of the aire, and whirries them up into the aire, which got into *Adam* and *Eves* heart by disobedience, and rules in his sons and daughters hearts by disobedience: If he goes upon his belly, how go they that he rules, better then the Ruler think you, must the ruled go better then the Ruler.

Thirdly, if this Rulers meat be dust that rules in the heart of the disobedient, which got into *Adams* and *Eves* heart by disobedience, what feeds the ruled upon then, if the Rulers meat be dust; for can any feed upon life, but they that come to the light and life, and truth in their own hearts, by which truth see how he got

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in by diſobedience, and how he rules the diſobedient: now do you think that the Devil would have any man or woman, or his meſſengers or apoſtles, to obey the truth and light in themſelves, then how can he rule in their hearts that went out of the truth? The Devil, the Serpent, got into their hearts by diſobedience, and ruled the diſobedient; and therefore its not like that the Devil, or his Meſſengers, or Prophets, or Apoſtles, would have any man or woman to obey the light, the truth in their own hearts; for if they obey the light the truth which the Devil is out of, and abide juſt, by this they come to go upright from under the ſlavery of him which upon his belly goes; they come to feed upon the life, Chriſt, which was with the Father before the world began; not upon the duſt, which he feeds upon which is out of the truth, and they that he rules, are out of the truth. So its no ſtrange thing for him and his meſſengers to ſpeak againſt the light in the heart, for he hath made the world like a Wilderneſſe, all wild & rough; he that got in by diſobedience, and rules in the diſobedient, it is not like that he would have people to obey the light nor life within them, he that is out of truth, who got into *Adam* and *Eve* by diſobedience, and rules in all them that are diſobedient, going roaring up and down, ſeeking whom he may devour; and ſo *Adam* came to be loſt and the Lamb came to be ſlain from the foundation of the world; and therefore comes Chriſt the firſt and the laſt to deſtroy the Devil and his works in mens hearts, and ſanctifies them by his blood, his life, which was the Sacrifice for the ſins of the whole world, and deſtroyes the Devil and his works, through death; him that hath the power of death, and ſanctifies and waſhes men and women, and preſents them back again to God perfect; which the Devil would not have men and women to own perfection; who hath made them imperfect, nor his meſſengers; but it is Chriſt that deſtroyes him and his works, and ſaith, *Be perfect*, and preſents men and women perfect to God out of the fall, up to *Adam* before he fell; and not only there, but up to himſelf that never fell, the Royal Seed. And in him keep your meetings, and dwell in peace and love, that the fruits of the Spirit may abound among you,

for the fruits of the flesh is in the fall, where the Spirit is grieved; for there they be out of the quietnesse, and out of the rest and peace. Therefore in Christ that never fell, the peace, and rest, and light, and life, and the power and truth lives and God is well pleased, and doth accept you in his Son Christ Jesus, in the Seed, in the light, in the truth, in the power of God, in the Righteousnesse, and in the Wisdom; but God doth not accept them nor you, as they and you be in *Adam*, in the fall, in their own righteousnesse, in their own wisdom, out of the light, out of the truth, out of the life, and not living in it in, themselves; and so God doth accept you in Christ the second *Adam*, that never fell, and is well pleased with you in Christ the second *Adam*, that righteousnesse which was before *Adam* was, is in Christ that never fell, as you com out of *Adam* in the fall, and live in Christ Jesus that never fell. And so Christ comes to be manifest in peoples hearts, and the Son revealed, who casts out the strong man which hath kept the house, and spoils his goods, who goes into *Adam* and *Eve* by disobedience, and rules in the hearts of *Adam* and *Eves* Sons and Daughters who are in disobedience: And so Christ the second *Adam* must rule in all peoples hearts who are in the obedience, as he doth in all that have power and life.

And so be valiant and faithful for the truth upon the earth, serving the Lord in a new life, that is in Christ Jesus, that never fell out of the old life of *Adam* in the fall; for the old life is in *Adam* in the fall, where the Spirit is grieved, and the new life is in *Adam* that never fell, who was born in *Bethleem*. *Beth* is a house, and *lathem* is bread, where the fulnesse is, who will dry up the River *Euphrates* with its froth, which hath run so up and down among the Sons of *Adam*; that people may drink at him the fountain, the water of life, through whom you come to know the mighty God of Heaven and Earth, the upholder of all things, and creator of all things, to his glory and honour, being in Christ Jesus by whom were all things, who is the top and corner stone; in whom you all have life, in him live: And so farewell; that you may have the blessing of the Lord covered upon you.

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And dear Friends, keep your Hands, Tongues, Feet, Bodies, Hearts clean and open, out of all pollutions and uncleanneſſe, for bleſſed are all you whoſe feet are guided in the way of peace, which is in the way of righteouſneſſe, through which the Immortal life is lived in. And light words, and jeſting all avoid, and fables, and fooliſh talk; but live in the power of the Lord that goes over all, through which you follow godlineſſe and holineſſe, without which none ſhall ſee the Lord God.

And bleſſed be God the Father, who hath ſet Chriſt over all, who is the Firſt and the Laſt, the Beginning and the End, Gods faithful and true Witneſſe, the *Amen*. In him have you the Book opened, and in him you ſee all things unſealed, in him manifeſt in you, who is your life, who was with the Father before the world began, the *Amen*.

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For in this night of Apoſtacy from the Spirit and power that the Apoſtles were in, hath all things been ſealed up, and no man could open; but now is the Lamb come again, that opens the ſealed Book. And all friends, keep out of all the faſhions of the world, & over that unchaſte ſpirit that invents new faſhions daily, both in Apparel and Diet, therefore keep chaſte in the power of God over them all, that your lives and converſation may judg them in ſuch things, for to devour ſuch things upon their luſts, which God hath given to the ſervice of man.

The Second EPISTLE.

FRiends, Live in the ſubjecting power of God, with which you ſee over the world, ſo you in this power come to be patterns and examples amongſt all, and ſo ye are the Salt, and the Light of the world, now living in the ſubjecting power, that ſubjects the contrary down, and gives to feel the Lord God, and keeps out of fears, and that part as you keep in the ſubjecting power of God, is kept down; keep in the wiſdome, in the ſubjecting power, that keeps to the witneſs, and anſwers the witneſs in every one; and then ye come the wiſdome to receive, by which man is ordered to the glory of God, and is Juſtified; Lay hands on no man ſuddenly, but anſwering the witneſs of God there is ſafety, and there ye are preſerved, and kept over the whole world, ſo all friends in the ſubjecting power of the Lord, which ſubdues, and ſubjects down all, that nothing may Rule and Reign but the Life it ſelf, you being kept in the power over the world, before the world began, which feels over the world, you come to anſwer that of God, and reach to the power of God in others, which will bring them to know the hard ſpeeches that they have ſpoken againſt him; they that ſpeak againſt the Light, ſpeak againſt Chriſt, ſo Friends that be in the ſubjecting power of God, which was before the world began, keeps down that which is contrary to the power of God; for who comes to Chriſt the ſecond *Adam*, that is above the firſt *Adam* which had the Command, but Chriſt ends it, Come into the ſeed Chriſt, come into that which is above, in the beginning before the world was made; the ſeed the wiſdome feel; ſo friends, you having the thing on, the ſubſtance, Chriſt, feels over the whole world, and fathoms over the whole world, ſo in that, you anſwer that of God in every one,

one, and that is it that brings all down; here is a labourer in the field in the world, and the world is in their hearts, a labourer in the field, which is the ſpirit and power of God, beating down thoughts, inventions, and the inventer alſo; ſo in this friends comes into the heavenly wiſdome, into the knowledge of the word of life, and growing up in it, in which the everlaſting kingdome is felt, and the power felt which is endleſs.

Now as for the word Miniſter, all is to come into the thing, which the Miniſter ſpeaks of, *the ſeed*, ſuch are in the thing, who are in the ſeed, a perfect man, ſo thouſands are come into the thing, whoſe ſervice in the world *is* to convince them of their evil deeds, ſo he comes through all the dirt, and is a labourer in the field, and a Reaper in the field; ſo keep all in the light, and as ye come up in that, you come into the kingdome which hath no end, and he that receives the kingdome comes as a little child. Then a friend moved to work, and comes amongſt them that are in the world, and when he comes back again from the world, where he hath been cutting down, and hewing, and breaking down, ſo now in that ſtate, if any be moved, turn into his own, when he comes among friends, and ſit down, and take heed how he ſpeak; he will be judged except he be waſhed by the water of the Word; ſo all friends being kept in the ſubjecting power of God, feels the Lord; if any moved to go into the Market, that does not feel the thing, and ſee the thing, ſuch things will be groſs, and ſome are moved to another thing, now the power, if it leads to knock down the deceit, and ye being kept in the pure power of the Lord, ſeeing, feeling, and knowing the intent of the Lord God, to the bringing down, and breaking down the contrary, in the ſubjecting power, ſo live in the pure power all, that keeps low, that keeps down, and keeps in the ſubjection of the Lord God, whereby the pure peace is preſerved, you keeping in the power that goes over the world, you ſhall feel the power where ever it ſtirs or moves, and all in that ſtate, if they be moved to do any thing, or act any thing, in Towns, in Markets, to Magiſtrates, or in Steeple-houſes, after thou haſt done it, in the ſame power

er keep down that ſees to the beginning, that ſees to the book of life, if that be kept down to, man is ſafe and kept ſure, that, that which diſobeys would know what you have done, what you have ſaid, (that muſt be kept down in all friends,) that it ſelf would not obey, that all know, but now keeping down to the power, there is ſafety: then there is unity when that is kept down, and the power is over, ſo there is great wiſdome in the City, that preſerves it in the wiſdome and power, that is the City of God, where all the ſpiritual weapons are; abuſe not the power, abuſe not the Authority which governs the City, and preſerves the City. Now the falſe City is fenced about with that that went out of the power of God, here the witneſſes lye ſlain, and ſo the beaſt roſe out of the earth and ſea, ſo then the Dragon got up into heaven, and ſo made war with the woman. Then the falſe Church came up, the Whore, which drinks the blood of the Martyrs, Saints, and Prophets; here is the great City, the falſe Church, the fenced City, in the Dragons power, ſhe on the beaſt, in the Dragons power, killing the Saints and true Miniſters, ſo now this falſe Church, this fenced City taken, the walls trod den down, who comes to ſee to the Apoſtles dayes, tread over the walls, the Judgment of the great Whore is come, the Lamb again is known, the power of God over all; ſo now the age is come, that God will ſhew forth his exceeding riches and kindneſs, ſo that whereby people comes to ſee to the Apoſtles dayes, the power and wiſdome which preſerves the City, ſo being kept in the power and wiſdome of God, you know the City of the living God, and the great City where all the Saints Prophets and Martyrs hath been ſlain by the Dragons power; ſo friends ſhall ſee clearly where there is no miſt, and ſo goes on in unity together, and feels over to the Apoſtles dayes, by the power of the Lord God, and ſo comes to know the kingdome where there is no end, the City of the living God, where honour and glory is given to him alone, ſo the wiſdome of the Lord preſerves in the power, and now one friend in this comes to comprehend all as a ſpan, that hath got up ſince the dayes of the Apoſtles, and that is a croſs to them all, that boyes and girles ſhould come and preach the Goſpel

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to learned men, to Orthodox men, ſo the everlaſting Goſpel preacht again to all nations, kindreds, tongues and people, What? hath it not been preached all this while, cryes the great City? No, you have killed them that preached the Goſpel, and ſo got the ſheeps cloathing, the out ſide, but denied the power, which is the Goſpel; ſo the Reapers are going forth to reap, the Wine-preſs trod without the City. Now friends having the thing on, preſerving them, and keeping them in the power that feels over all, that ſees over all; and ſo comes in, the Miniſtry, and unity is felt with every word, in the authority of the Power; and ſo he that overcomes, he ſhall ſit upon the throne, he ſhall eat of the hidden Manna, he ſhall go no more forth, and ſo feels over to the Apoſtles dayes, in the power, to the begiuning, to the immortal ſeed, the word of God, in this power that ſpans over the world, to the beginning. But now, this contrary City would keep all down; as the Croſs within, overcoming of ſin, and leading by the Spirit of the Lord, and ſpeaking by the Spirit; and the cry is in this fenced City, Propheſie is ceaſed, Revelation and Inſpiration ceaſed, no ſpeaking by the Spirit now; theſe are in the great City, in the Dragons power, in the wiſdom below, which is Earthly, Senſual, and Devilliſh. And as the Goſpel was to go into all Nations, ſo hath Deceit gone over all Nations, and now the Everlaſting Goſpel preacht again to all kindreds, tongues, and Nations, and peoples, this is the word to this preſent age, this is now in hand; now all the names are among the inwardly raveners; ſo as the power, the goſpel goes over, ſtrikes all down, and the goſpel goes over; Sons and Daughters, Propheſie, go ye into all Nations. But now Propheſie is ceaſed in the fenced City, ſo now it is juſt guarded with its flag of defiance againſt the truth, and ſo hath killed the Prophets, killed the Saints and Martyrs, and ſo the power of God is gone, and going over all this, ſo keep in the power which will open, keep in the povver, vvhich is the authority, vvhich vvill bring them in, ſo then it is not uſurped authority, the povver that brings in, that breaks open, then the thing is not uſurped, ſo now the goſpel, the povver of God, goes forth over all nations, kindreds and tongues, as de-

deceipt hath ſpread it ſelre over all Nations, and this fenced City in the Dragons power; now you know what a City is, what Guards, Orders, and Cuſtomes there are, and what work is done in this City, where all thoſe orders are, the blood of the Martyrs and Prophets drunk: So now, the Goſpel goes forth again, ſons and daughters propheſie, go ye into all Nations; but ſince another hath ſpread over all Nations, whoſe cry is, Prophecy is ceaſed, Revelation and Inſpiration is ceaſed; ſo now comes the Reapers, the Harveſt is ripe, the everlaſting Goſpel preached again, to all Kindreds, Tongues, and Nations, which is the power of God. Now friends are in the power, which doth fulfil Scriptures, and which opens words; all that are in the outſide, are deſtroyers, and they know not the Scriptures, but you knowing the power of God, this brings the life and Immortality, ſo life and Immortality is ſeen, and known; the Devil he blinds the mind, darkens the mind, life and Immortality hath not been ſeen or known; but now the Devil deſtroy'd, the power of God goes over again, Sons and Daughters Prophecy, moved in the power of God, though cannot read a letter, ſo keep to the power, which is going over again, over all Nations, Tongues, and Kindreds, over the wiſe Orthodox men, the openers of Scriptures (as they call themſelves) the Goſpel goes over them all; ſo the Goſpel going over all theſe, and that preached again, that ſtrikes down that power, that ſpirit that ſaith, Revelation is ceaſed, Prophecy and Inſpiration is ceaſed, whereby the light of the glorious Goſpel ſhines in their hearts, this ſhining in their hearts again, gives them the light of the knowledg of the glory of God in the face of Jeſus; ſo life and immortality, hath been hid from men, this hath been ſhut up, and the Whore, the falſe Church, the fenced City hath been ſet up, and ſhe hath decked her ſelf, this is true, plain, innocent words; ſo the power of God going over again, drives all this back, then comes the miſery, the vials of wrath, and plagues, the ſeven vials, the ſeven thunders, the ſeven woes, before the miſtery of God is revealed, and this comes before the miſtery of God is revealed; ſo life and immortality is brought to light again, by the power of God, whereby the

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light of the glorious Gospel comes to be known again; so then the mistery of the fellowship of the Gospel again known, the mistery of the fellowship of the Gospel, the Gospel is everlasting, the power of God; the mistery of the fellowship of the power, that known again, this is everlasting, the fellowship everlasting, the gospel everlasting, the mistery of the fellowship everlasting, with this is seen over all the fellowships in the whole world, which are running one at another being blind; but now the Mistery of the fellowship of the Gospel lasts for ever; so here Friends gets behind all, and over all, which hath darkened the air, and life and immortality is brought to light through the Gospel; so in this friends comes into unity, and one here comes to fathome the whole world; and so walking as good patterns and examples of righteousnesse then there is joy, and a sweet favour in the hearts of people, so dominion preaches through; so answering the Witnesse of God in people, it overcomes their hearts; and so now many are moved to go into the Steeple-houses, among the Inwardly ravened, for all they that set up these things, were Inwardly ravened from the Spirit of God; now the power being known again, it knocks down that which hath ravened, which hath killed the Prophets, Saints, and Martyrs, and all the trees which cannot bring forth the good fruit, should be taken and cast into the fire, and the Beast, and the false Prophet taken and cast into the lake of fire.

So the power, that goes over, and feels over ages, feels the Antient of dayes, here every one comes to stand in their lot, and in that comes to see the end of dayes, and there is none comes to know their lot, till they see the antient of dayes, before dayes *was*, and in that they come to see their lot, and as the Jews outwardly was to passe over the waters, by the rod of *Moses* made on heaps, so the people of God are all waters, Christ the Son of God coming to rule, as with a rod of Iron, the waters goes back, the water's on heaps, the Spirit comes to war, the *Egyptians* overthrown; so every one in the power of the Lord God keep, that feels to the beginning, and as you keep in the same, you feel the power of God which is the Gospel, and then when you are come to that, you come

to receive the wisdom and power of God which is everlasting, which preserves in the power, the end of all outward shadows, types, and figures; for shadows makes nothing perfect, figures makes nothing perfect; for look ye, you may see it is general in all people, that lives in something without, to cry, no perfection, figures and shadows makes nothing perfect, so all the cry is, there is no perfection, who comes not to Christ, for who comes to Christ, comes to that which is perfect; this is the word of the Lord God to you, all that come to witnesse perfection, know Christ the substance, and hears his voice that speaks from heaven, but not in Bread, and Wine, and outward shadows, but comes into the light Christ, in which is no shadow, which ends all shadows, and is the substance, that voice speaks perfection, it is the substance; and so as you are kept in the power of the Lord God, you shall be preserved, and feel over all that hath got up since the days of the Apostles, and goes over them all, and here one of you fathoms all; so in the authority, and in the power, which brings up the seed, the seed that remains, and abides, and endures for ever, abide so friends, that are kept in the power of God, sees, and feels over all, to the Apostles days, and over all Nations that the Whore hath got upon, and the Kings she hath sate upon, now keep above all, keep in the power of the Lord God over all, though she sits upon Kings and Nations, now as you are kept in the power of the Lord God, keep that off, keep that off that sits upon them, get to the witnesse, get to the fear, there comes wisdom, there comes the power, which goes over all transgressours, and transgression, so keep out in the Lambs power, and in the Lambs dominion over all; for Friends would be the finest people upon the earth, if they would do as the Presbyterians, Baptists, and other House-Creepers, give their power to the Beast, they would be an excellent people, if they would shelter there with them; but friends keep over all this, for a little honour leads them as one would lead a Dog, with a bit of bread, their Religion stands without; there was something at the first in the Presbyterians, the Eldership, but they now would come into the Eldership before they come to young babes state. And the Baptist, had they gone through all, and come to the light, then had they been in the thing, and the other, if they had been in the *Eldership*, they had been in the thing, so if friends would creep in there, they would be the finest people upon earth by their account.

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Now that which keeps its place changeth not, *Judas* kept not his place, false Prophets, Antichrists kept not their place, these went forth, and so reserved in chains of darkneſſe; now they that do keep their place, feels over all theſe outward places, and that which they ravened from, that ye live in: ſo then, they that keep not their place, takes of the earth and ſacrificeth, and then turns againſt the Juſt, and ſo death is their crown, they are fighting the bad fight, that hath no victory and doth not overcome, but the other fights the good fight, that doth overcome; ſo friends being skilful in the word of God keep down, keep your place, for all that goes forth from it makes ſhip-wrack of faith and a good conſcience. And ſo now that which all along hath ſtirred, that, they being gone from, yet it ſtands ſure, keep in thy place thou art with in, and ſo now the power if it be kept to, feels over all, and anſwers the witneſſe which hath ſtirred, and as the power of God riſeth all that muſt have an end, now all live in the power which deſtroys the Devil, deſtroy his works, ſave the man, bring the priſoner out of the pit, where there is no water, wreſtle with the powers of darkneſſe, ſpiritual wickedneſſe, not with creatures, he is a wiſe man that wreſtleth with the power which hath captivated, and this is the word of the Lord God to you, who wreſtleth with fleſh and blood with creatures, he never lees the captive free, he wreſtleth in the dark power, that is one that hath captivated; now he that wreſtleth with darkneſſe, and ſpiritual wickedneſſe in high places, turns from darkneſſe, and he that deſtroys the Devils works, brings the priſoner of hope forth with the power of God, ſo now every one in the power of God you will ſee over all, and fathom all that hath gone out, even in that which they have all erred from, and ſo this keeps all mortal crowns down, for when the crown is mortal and death, life is tranſgreſt, when the crown is immortal then is life reigning, and ſo now he fights the good fight that overcomes, that hath the crown that is immortal, and the other that goes forth fights the bad fight, and all their fight is againſt the life, whoſe crown is death, and the Devil hath the power of it.

So now in this ſtate every man to his Tent, for there is the ſpiritual weapons, ſo comes where the weapons are, comes where there is food and bread of life, but out of the Tent he is abroad, every man to his Tent. Then keep in the power, in the life, which is able to overcome, here is the ſpiritual order and wiſdom, ſo here every one coms to feel the ground of truth, ſo if any be moved of the Lord God to ſpeak any thing, keep down in the thing that moved to ſpeak: then you will anſwer that which converteth, keep in the power which moved to ſpeak, which power reach-

eth to the Witneſſe, then you will walk in that power, which anſwereth the power which is tranſgreſſed, if you ſhould go out of that which moved to ſpeak, then you would come to be judged by it, ſo keep in the fear that keeps down all, ſo live in the power and wiſdom of God, by which all things were made and created, which ends all things, in which there is no end, which is the beginning and the end; they that live in the form of godlineſſe without the power, they live neither in the beginning nor end, but are falling out about what Chriſt and his Apoſtles ſaid and did, & here is the power denied life, is out of. But now a true Chriſtians life is in that which ends all the changeable, he is in the beginning, he is in the end, he is in the firſt, he is in the laſt, he ſees over all that hath the form and not the power, in the many ways, ſects, and opinions, ſo one Friend coming into this comprehends all to the beginning, and all that is covered over, and ſtand upon this cruſhes under, and makes the wheat, the pure come up, the good come up, the juſt come up, ſo now ſtanding here in the pure power of the Lord God, ye ſtand over the world, in the power of God, the unity, the Goſpel, the fellowſhip which is everlaſting. now in this all meet, and the mind comes to be one, where all feel the Lord God preſent, the beauty of holineſſe is known, the beauty of holineſſe poſſeſt, keep your beauty, the beauty of holineſſe, ſo live in the power and wiſdom of God, ſtay down in the wiſdom of God, which ſubjects down all the contrary; the wiſdom of God by which all theſe things were created, by that deſtroy the Devil & his things, & his authority, even by that which reconciles to all things, things in heaven, & things in earth, deſtroy the Devil even by that which was before all things were created, ſo whereas the cry is, you break the Commandements which are in theſe words, *Thou ſhalt not kill, ſteal, make graven Images, covet, nor diſhonour thy father & thy mother &c.* Now the end of the Commandements is love in a pure heart, which loves no graven Images, & bows to none of the things in heaven nor earth, but comes into the everlaſting Covenant; now love doth not kill, love doth not ſteal, love doth not take the Name of the Lord in vain, love doth not covet, love is in the wiſdom by wch all things were created, love gives encreaſe & being to all things, ſo he that is in love is in that which gives all things a being; ſo love doth not diſhonour its father and mother, but brings into unity with the whole Creation, love breaks down that nature which covets, & doth all theſe things ſo Chriſt the ſeed coms up above all, throws down that nature, breaks it under that pertains to all theſe things, & then comes up the wiſdom of God, by which all things were created; ſo friends keep in that, and the power of the Lord Jeſus Chriſt preſerve you all.

G. F.

The Third EPISTLE.

Friends,

THis is the day of the trial of your Faith, and therefore be faithful, for the Faith is it by which you have Victory and access to God; by Faith all the fiery darts of Satan are quenched, and by Faith the Mountains are subdued and removed, and in your Faith all your Sacrifices are accepted of God; that gives you Victory and access to God, and in this Faith you please God, that gives you victory over that which displeased him; and in this Faith you have all unity, which is the Faith of Gods elect; the one Faith which keeps you in the oneness, and all the Sacrificers, and Worshippers, and Religions that is not in this Faith, they are not one, their Sacrifices God hath no respect to, nor offerings, but it is like *Cain's* that went from the presence of God, and persecuted about his Religion, who built a City in the Land of *Nod*, which signifies wandring to and fro, and unsettled, and tossings to and fro, up and down; and this is the City that all, that persecutes about Religion lives in, *Cains*, the Land of *Nod*, tossings, wandrings to and fro; let them be of what Profession, Religion whatsoever, Heathen, Jew, or Christian, if they be persecutors about Religion with carnal weapons, they are in *Cains* land of wandering, of *Nod*, out of the Faith of *Abel*, of the Elect, in which Faith God accepts the sacrifice, and these be in the land of the living; but the *Cains* land of *Nod*, where the envious ones are persecuting others about Religion, in that land God has no respect to none of their sacrifices, nor Religions. The outward Jew had outward weapons to hold up their outward services, which they had a command from God, but the Heathens had no command from God to hold up their inventions; and Christ Jesus came to

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end the Jews Law and Commandment, that held up their outward services, together with their outward weapons, and all the outward things; and he who is the substance reigns, for all the types, and figures, and shadows, was given to man after man fell, which Christ that comes to redeem man out of the fall, to the state that he was in before he fell, ends them all, and in him there is no shadow, so he sets up a spiritual Ministry, and spiritual Worship, and a spiritual fellowship, and a Church that's without spot or wrinkle, and a Religion that's pure, from above, and this Religion is ruled with spiritual weapons, And now friends, here you may discern what is set up by Christ and his Spirit, and what is set up by man; for Christ who ended the Jews Law and Commandments, who preached and taught his Disciples, which was to go into all Nations to preach the Gospel, to gather people unto him, and to establish Churches, he gave forth no command nor order, that them that would not hear them, nor receive them, his Law, his Commandment, his Doctrine, that they should be persecuted, imprisoned, or banished, though he suffered, and was blasphemed and persecuted, and his Apostles, for publishing forth the truth, and rebuked them that would have had mens lives destroyed, and said that he came to save mens lives, and the Apostles, and the true Church, in the primitive times before the Apostacy, that was in the Spirit of Christ Jesus, walked in the Doctrine of Christ, and Commands, & did not persecute any about Religion, nor imprison among themselves nor others about Religion, though they had Ordinances and Commands amongst them for the utmost; if they did reject the Churches Counsel, they was to be left as Heathen, was the utmost penalty; and so here you may see the Spirit of Christ did not persecute any for not observing that which it gave forth and set up, which had it received from God; now here's a distinction betwixt the spirit of Christ, and the spirit of fallen men, for that which mans fallen spirit sets up, which he hath invented, and if others will not fall down to it, and worship it, they persecute them, this is the practice of the heathen, the Jews that transgressed the Law of God, and followed their inventions, who persecuted the Prophets, and killed the just one;

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this is the practice of the ſpirit of all the Apoſtatized Chriſtians, from the primitive ſpirit which was among the Chriſtians, which was the ſpirit of Chriſt; ſo that ſpirit that does ſet up ordinances, commandments, wayes, Religions, worſhipe, and perſecutes others becauſe they will not obſerve them, this is the ſpirit of the world, that luſts to envy, and not the ſpirit of Chriſt; and alſo thoſe are the works of men which they perſecute about, and no the works of Chriſt, which neither he nor his Apoſtles perſecuted about. And ſo here's a clear diſtinction to you, that you may know what leads to the ſpirit of Chriſt, and what luſts to the ſpirit of envy; for the ſpirit of Chriſt does not perſecute any that does not receive that which he ſets up, but the ſpirit of the world doth perſecute them that will not receive that which it ſets up; and in this you may try both fruits and ſpirits; as the rod of *Moſes* devoured up all the Magicians ſerpents, of the lying ſigns and wonders, ſo ſhall the rod of Chriſt, who has all the power in heaven and earth given unto him, who will rule all Nations with a rod of Iron, Chriſts rod ſhall and will devoure all the ſerpents and lying wonders of the ſpiritual *Egypt* and *Sodom*, yea, and all the ſerpents that be in all Nations, for all Nations are to be ruled by it; and *Moſes* ſong was ſung when his rod had devoured the ſerpents, and all the outward *Egyptians* in the ſea, ſo the Lambs ſong ſhall be known, as all the ſpiritual *Egyptians* ſerpents are devoured by Chriſts rod, and the ſpiritual *Egyptian* being overthrown in the ſea, the Jews in ſpirit, ſhall rejoyce and ſing the ſong of the Lamb; The Abomination that made deſolation, that's ſpoken of by *Daniel* the Prophet, which ſhould come in after the daily ſacrifice was taken away, and ſhould continue one thouſand two hundred and ninety dayes, this abomination that hath made deſolation, deſolate from the truth, light, life, and the power of God, true Religion and true worſhip, and true Church and fellowſhip; ſo the beaſt that *John* ſaw and ſpeaks of, which muſt continue forty two moneths, and the Whore, the falſe Church upon the beaſt, which beaſt ſhould be worſhipped 42 moneths, the time of his continuing, and the Whore ſhould ſit in her ſcarlet, the falſe Church upon the beaſt; the true Church this

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time has been in the wilderness a thousand two hundred and threescore dayes, which is now come out again, and the man-child is come down from heaven to rule all with his rod of iron, and the Lamb and the Saints shall have the victory, who make war in Righteousness, and going on conquering and to conquer; and so you that be followers of the Lamb be faithful and valiant for the truth upon earth, and heed not your native soile, but mind the birth that's born and brought forth from the womb of eternity, that seperates you from your mothers wombs, by which you believe in God, and fear not man what he can do unto you, neither look at the hills for salvation, for the Lord can make the rocks of flint a standing pool, and the Mountains streams, & therefore dwell in the power of God which was before the fall of man was, whose fallen spirit persecutes those who are come to taste of the power of Christs resurrection and life, and in this power of God you will not be weary nor faint, which was before the fallen spirit was that doth assault you, and in this power you will have stability, content, comfort, joy, and peace, and keep over that spirit, let it not have power over you, that may involve the truth in a notion, and may be a little civilized by it, that is ready to joyn with every gain-saying Core, and is ready to wander after every strange thing that's new, and so will follow strange flesh, who are uncleansed by the power of truth, and unstabilished in it, and such often built their Religion to seek, that live in questionings and disputings in carnal reasons, out of the power of God, in which is the fellowship, the one thing, which is Christ the substance, in which all stability is felt, but little room in such hearts.

G. F.

THE END.